## PORTER RANCH neighborhood council



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## Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council (PRNC) Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes

Alex Kim, Chair (Board Member), Lori Kalman, Co-Chair (Stakeholder), Pete Heidenfelder, President (Stakeholder), Gabriel Khanlian, Vice President (Board Member), Jason Hector, Secretary (Board Member), Asaad Alnajjar (Stakeholder),

Tuesday, November 29, 2016 at 6:00 pm
Porter Ranch Library
11371 Tampa Avenue, Porter Ranch, Ca 91326
Porter Ranch library is located on Tampa just north of Rinaldi next to the fire station.

- Item 1—Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm by Committee Chair Alex Kim.
- Item 2—Committee Chair Alex Kim Welcomed our committee members and stakeholder, Esther.
- Item 3—Roll Call was taken and all members were present; Pete, Alex, Jason, Gabriel, Asaad and Lori.

Item 4—Alex made a motion to approve the October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016 minutes and second by Lori. Ayes (Pete, Alex, Jason, Gabriel, Asaad and Lori) 5-0-0. Motion passed.

Item 5—Discussion regarding tree planting program. Pete mentioned that he heard back from CD 12 and they asked for a list of concerns and projects. Pete said that he would continue to work with CD 12 and get their help in gaining support and being put in contact with the appropriate city department contacts. Jason mentioned that he has been calling in 311 requests along Tampa for trees which are dead or dying and stump removal and committed to completing all the 311 submissions for Tampa. Jason suggested that each of the members take streets and do the same since tree /stump removal and trimming requests to the city would be a step in the right direction which it is determined how to get trees planted given the 2 year watering requirement. Gabriel agreed to do Sesnon. Pete took Corbin. Alex took Rinaldi.

Item 6—General Public Comments from stakeholder Esther were concerns about homelessness, public safety like the street racing and she spoke about West Valley Alliance people she has worked with in the past named Anthony and Daniel, however their resources are very limited and they don't have a regular schedule. She would like to see a regular schedule and is concerned about keeping Porter Ranch clean. She also stated she is confused about the lack of access LAPD has for some gated community areas as well as people who walk their dogs and do not clean up.

Asaad spoke about Keeping LA Beautiful and Ana Huizar and it was suggested to invite them to the PRNC X-mas party as well as Tim Tyson from Urban Forestry, CD 12 staff too should be invited (Englander, Colin Crews and John Lee).

Item 7—Our tentative Earth Day event on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 will be discussed further at our next meeting which is January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 (4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month) with no meeting in December given the holidays. Another idea was pictures of needs for the community could be taken.





Item 8—Tampa median discussion took place and it was agreed that for now, bringing water and lights was not to be done. It was agreed that a sign for Porter Ranch should be built which is made of two upto 36" high large river rock pillars to support a long sign. The design should be similar to the one by Tampa and Sesnon in front of Aliso Canyon. It was agreed that several members would get estimates for construction of the pillars and sign and Gabriel would check if there are preferred vendors we need to use.

Item 9—Meeting was adjourned by Alex Kim at 7:47 pm.